

John R. Kasich, Governor Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor Scott J. Nally, Director

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Tinka Hyde, Director Water Division (WG-15J) US EPA Region 5 77 W. Jackson Blvd. Chicago, IL 60604-3590

Dear Director Hyde:

After a series of conference calls between our teammates intended to resolve the handful of remaining issues relative to the issuance of the AEC Bennoc site discharge permit, it seems that we are close.

Therefore, Ohio EPA will submit to USEPA a revised draft permit ASAP for USEPA's final review. As discussed on Tuesday December 31, 2013, the document will include clarifying language intended to address: bio monitoring, BMP's, assurance for intermittent storm induced discharge and triggers for further permittee actions if conditions are not met. This should resolve the remaining issues.

I look forward to your concurrence and am willing to grant any additional time necessary to avoid a formal objection. Please do not hesitate in contacting me at 614-644-3721, if you have any further questions.

Sincerely.

Scott J. Mally Director

cc: Bharat Mathur, Deputy Regional Administrator